

March 10, 1999

TO: Members of the MAG Intelligent Transportation System Committee

FROM: Steve Hogan, City of Scottsdale, Chairman

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Wednesday, March 17, 1999 - 10:00 a.m.
MAG Office Building, Suite 200, Ocotillo Room
302 North First Avenue, Phoenix

The next meeting of the MAG Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Committee will be held at the time and place noted above. For members traveling by car, parking is available directly beneath the building and tickets will be validated by the receptionist on the third floor. For those using transit the Regional Public Transportation Authority will provide transit tickets for your trip. For those using bicycles, please lock your bicycles in the bike rack in the garage. If you have any questions about the meeting, please contact Sarath Joshua at 254-6300.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the February 19, 1999 Meeting Minutes
3. Call to Audience

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the ITS Committee. Citizens will be requested to not exceed a three minute period for their comments.

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

2. Review and approve the February 19, 1999 meeting minutes.
3. For information.

4. ITS Project Selection Process for TIP

A number of issues came up regarding the rating, ranking and selection of ITS projects for programming during the most recent TIP process. MAG staff will review the current process and identify potential areas for improvement. Attachment One provides an overview of the current process. Members will discuss the issues and steps needed to improve the process.

5. Update on AZTech & AZTech Phase 2

Pierre Pretorius will provide an update on the AZTech project.

6. Ramp Metering and HOV Bypass

The MAG HOV plan includes HOV bypass ramps at ramp meters. Both ramp meters and HOV facilities reflect the fact that we cannot build facilities large enough to accommodate all traffic demands. Therefore, ramp meters are needed to manage traffic flow and HOV facilities are needed to reduce traffic demands. Ramp meters are being deployed and interchanges are being reconstructed. However, because of the high traffic demand in some locations, HOV bypass ramps are not being implemented by ADOT in favor of dual SOV ramp lanes. Under TEA-21 Metropolitan Planning Agencies (MPOs) have been encouraged to more fully address operation and management issues of the regional transportation system. Policy direction on bypass ramps for HOV facilities needs to be addressed. The committee will discuss this issue and recommend action.

4. For information, discussion and possible action.

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| 7. <u>Updates on Projects Programmed for FY 1999 and FY 2000</u>

At the request of member jurisdictions, the design component of some programmed projects have been advanced and federally funded. Updates will be provided by either committee members or MAG staff on the status of projects that have been programmed for FY 1999 and FY 2000. | 7. For information and discussion. |
| 8. <u>Status Reports by Committee Members of ITS Activities</u>

Members of the Committee will be requested to report on related ITS activities in their area. | 8. For information and discussion. |
| 9. <u>Next Meeting Date</u>

The next meeting is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 14, 1999. | 9. For information. |
| 10. <u>Adjournment</u> | |